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A Perfect Prayer.

Dear Lord, kind Lord,
Gracious Lord, I pray
Thou wilt look on all I love
Tenderly today!
Weed their hearts of weariness,
Scatter every care
Down a wake of angel wings
Winnowing the air.
Bring unto the sorrowing
All release from pain.
Let the lips of laughter
Overflow again.
And with all the needy
Oh, divide, I pray,
This vast treasure of content
That is mine today!
—James Whitcomb Riley.

Judge Bellinger should not be easy on the land thieves now on trial before him. This is one of the first opportunities ever presented to avenge the prostitution of the state by the organized gangs of thieves hidden behind political influences and operating through the political machines. Land offices, land scrip and public institutions, both federal and state, have been made the toys of plunderers who have so far escaped, unwhipped. The name of Oregon has become a byword in the United States because of the unrebuked corruption in public land transactions. Because of the dominance of machine politics, it has been considered a safe field of operation and until Roosevelt turned down the Oregon delegation, refused to appoint their land office candidates and began an investigation of conditions in the state, it was the most fertile field for land thievery in the Union. Let Judge Bellinger lay on the penalty and the bigger the thief the heavier the penalty should be.

The East Oregonian urges Umatilla county to send a strong delegation of active stockmen to the coming meeting of the National Livestock association at Denver, on January 10. A general reorganization of that body is to take place at that time, and it should be reorganized by actual stockgrowers and not by stockyard men, commission men and railroad interests. This organization is a power for good in the United States. Its dictum is heeded by the state legislatures and by congress. It can be made still more powerful in arbitrating and protecting the interests of the stockgrowers. Other industries are organized. Railways, commission houses, packing houses and cattle-buyers are all organized to protect their various industries. If the stockman does not strengthen and cement his ranks, these allied interests working against him will have every advantage. An effort will be made to place the reorganized association in the hands of the railways and packing houses. Stockmen who produce the cattle and sheep should see that their own interests are carefully guarded. Now is the time.

The first real menace to the commercial interests of Pendleton has appeared in the extension of the Sumpster Valley railway into the interior of Grant county. When that road reaches Prairie City, much of the John Day trade heretofore coming to this city will be diverted to the Sumpster Valley railway. It is for Pendleton merchants and Umatilla county to say just how severe the inroads of this opposition will be on the interests of this city and county. Better wagon roads will help hold this trade. Larger mercantile stocks, greater bargains and more vigorous advertising will save some of this trade. In the logic of the situation, it must be seen that all of the present John Day trade enjoyed by this city cannot be held. Cities will spring up along the Sumpster Valley road and commercial interests will center at those points. But it will be many years before merchants on that line, whose freight must be transferred and shipped to the interior at extra cost, can compete with the splendid institutions of Pendleton, situated on a main line, and enjoying the advantages of railway competition. Something in the

way of road improvement to the interior should be done to attract trade. Good roads and intelligent advertising can do much to offset the influence of the Sumpster Valley. Even a portion of Southern Umatilla county would be threatened by good roads from Dale to Prairie City.

The dextrous hand of Frank P. Sargent, commissioner of Immigration, will be seen in the president's recommendations to the coming session of congress. It is alleged. For 16 years Sargent was grand master of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and because of his personal acquaintance with Roosevelt, and his successful management of the affairs of the order, he was selected as chief of the immigration bureau, and is one of the president's closest advisors. Sargent's hobby and ruling passion is better laws to protect railway men. To this end, one of the strongest recommendations of the president's message, it is understood, will be for the enactment of employers liability laws in the District of Columbia, rigid inquiry into the causes of increasing railway wrecks and collisions and effective means of reducing these disasters. Those familiar with Mr. Sargent's aims will instantly recognize his personal influence in this portion of the president's recommendations. No theme ever commanded more urgently the earnest consideration of congress and railway employees of every state should urge their representatives in congress to support the president in this worthy effort. The railway industry is growing so rapidly and is so vitally related to the public that more stringent laws regulating it should be enacted, until the government is ready to take charge of it as a public utility.

A \$5000 BUTTERFLY.

John Haviland, whose home is in Springfield, O., arrived from Ecuador some days ago with a butterfly which was never seen before here—one so beautiful and so rare that it is worth \$5000. It has been sent to Lord Rothschild, who has been sent to Lord Rothschild in London, who has for years collected remarkable fleas and strange butterflies.

Mr. Haviland was the private secretary of Major John Harman, manager of the Guayaquil & Quito railroad, now being built between these two South American cities, and thereby opening up the Andes.

During his spare moments Mr. Haviland amused himself by catching and mounting the many beautiful butterflies and dragon flies which flitted about the orchid-hung trees of this Ecuadorian home. One specimen which he caught was of such beauty that fearing his mounting might be too crude for perfect preservation, he brought it to a professional in this city on his return to have the beautiful fly more carefully preserved.

Immediately the old collector went into ecstasies.

"You have," he said, "the only butterfly of this kind I have ever seen. I am the American agent for Lord Rothschild, who is collecting flies and fleas, and has the rarest collection and the most valuable in the world. He has just paid \$250,000 for a pair of fleas. You must send this butterfly to England. If Lord Rothschild has none like it he will pay you good for it, and it shall be known as the Haviland fly."

The amateur butterfly catcher was more than surprised. He had not dreamed that this little insect was worth so much money. But he left it with the old collector, to be shipped to London.

Mr. Haviland has sailed for Lisbon, whence he goes to Buenos Ayres, and later to Lima. Mrs. Haviland, who has been the guest of friends at 29 Grove street, has returned to her Springfield home. She will join Mr. Haviland in South America in the spring.

Mr. Haviland said before sailing that he would hunt butterflies in South America with more zest than ever.—New York Globe.

IRELAND'S FRESH FAMINE.

Ireland is again in the throes of a famine and an appeal to the world at large is timely.

Some philosopher has said that Christopher Columbus ought to be made the patron saint of Ireland, vice St. Patrick deposed. Columbus, in discovering America, created a new sphere for the Irish people, a sphere wherein their talents have found a field and where they have thrived amazingly.

But seriously, the Emerald Isle was never intended by nature to support a large agrarian population. Its climate is execrable. As a grazing country it has some advantages, but compared with Illinois or Iowa, the whole island is second rate from the stated point of agriculture.

We hear much about the depopulation of Ireland. If a famine recurring regularly every third or fourth year, is good evidence, a few thousand Irish may cross the Atlantic to good advantage annually for all time to come.—Livestock World.

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MAYOR WILLIAMS' WIT.

Mayor George H. Williams of Portland, feeling aggrieved at the charges of corruption lodged against his administration by all the moral forces in Portland, vented his spleen before the State Bar Association recently, in the following alleged "wit":

"I will not say that this city is the best governed, but I can truthfully say that it is the most governed city in the United States."

"If the Ministerial Association had its way, Portland would be a New Jerusalem, such as St. John saw in his vision. In fancy, if the association had its way, I could see Dr. Hill and myself, walking in the New Jerusalem, he singing bass and myself singing alto."

"The Municipal League is composed of most excellent gentlemen. Many of them came from Scotland to teach Americans how to behave themselves. I like Scotland for its romance, its poetry—yes, even its whisky, but Scotch Presbyterianism is about as digestible to me as pickles and sauer kraut."

"Then there is the Taxpayers' League, which is known far and wide for its Joe Teal."

"There is also the sheriff of the county. He reminds me of the bull in the china shop who smashed everything he could reach, and what he did not smash he left in a very unsavory condition."

"A reform measure that is carried on with revolvers and sledge hammers may be best for the city—there is even some doubt about this."

"We have four of the best circuit judges in the state. They are prone to nervousness when they are confronted by honest gamblers. Judge George showed this when he rendered a decision the other day that took up two columns in the newspapers."

"In spite of the howling of the press and the preachers, Portland is as law-abiding as any city in the world."

DON'T MARRY THE GIRL.

Who cannot control her temper. Who is deceitful and is not true to her friends.

Who fusses, fumes and fidgets about everything.

Whose highest aspiration has never soared above self.

Who is amiable to suitors and "horrid" to her family.

Whose chief interests in life are dress and amusements.

Who lacks thrift and has no idea of the value of money.

Who never thinks that her mother needs an outing, amusement or a change.

Who humiliates servants by snapping at them or criticizing them before guests.

Who attracts attention in public places by "loud" dress and loud talk and laughter.

If she expects everybody else in the house to contribute to her pleasure instead of trying to make them happy.

Who calls her home so "common," but does nothing to make it attractive or cozy, and stays there just as little as possible.

Who does not think it worth while to read for self-improvement, or current information, but spends her time reading trashy novels.

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Miss Agnes Miller, of Chicago, speaks to young women about dangers of the Menstrual Period—how to avoid pain and suffering and remove the cause by using Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

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